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Examiner Name	Ritesh Agrawal
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Applicant respectfully submits that the color photographs submitted herewith comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.84(a)(2) in that (1) the fee set forth in 1.17(i) is included herewith; (2) three (3) sets of color photographs are submitted herewith; and (3) the specification contains the following language as the first paragraph in that portion of the specification relating to the brief description of the drawings: "The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee."

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the Commissioner may accept color photographs as Figures 2 - 9 and 14 - 21 of the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Application of Robert Vincent	:	Docket No.:	104035-9
Serial No.:	10/762,952	:	Confirmation No.:	5966
Filed:	January 22, 2004	:	Examiner:	Ritesh Agrawal
Title:	METHOD FOR DETECTING COLIFORM BACTERIA FROM REFLECTED LIGHT	:	Group Art Unit:	1631

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Petition to Accept Color Photographs under 37 C.F.R. 1.84(b)(2)

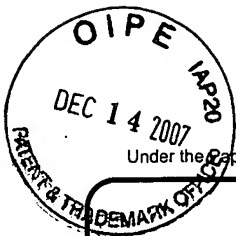
Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to accept color photographs as Figures 2 - 9 and 14 - 21 of the subject application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the photographs submitted are necessary to explain the results obtained using the invention as they represent colored photographs expressing the amounts of microorganisms determined using the method of the present invention where the color indicates the approximate concentration thereof. A color key is accordingly provided in the specification.

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**Under 37 CFR 1.17(f), (g) & (h)**  
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(Fees are subject to annual revision)Send completed form to: Commissioner for Patents  
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Enclosed is a petition filed under 37 CFR 1.17(h) that requires a processing fee (37 CFR 1.17(f), (g), or (h)). Payment of \$ 130.00 is enclosed.

This form should be included with the above-mentioned petition and faxed or mailed to the Office using the appropriate Mail Stop (e.g., Mail Stop Petition), if applicable. For transmittal of processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17(i), see form PTO/SB/17i.

**Payment of Fees** (small entity amounts are NOT available for the petition fees)☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 503259:☒ petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f), (g) or (h) ☒ any deficiency of fees and credit of any overpayments

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☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 or equivalent enclosed). Do not provide credit card information on this form.**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(f): Fee \$400 Fee Code 1462**

For petitions filed under:

- § 1.36(a) - for revocation of a power of attorney by fewer than all applicants
- § 1.53(e) - to accord a filing date.
- § 1.57(a) - to accord a filing date.
- § 1.182 - for decision on a question not specifically provided for.
- § 1.183 - to suspend the rules.
- § 1.378(e) - for reconsideration of decision on petition refusing to accept delayed payment of maintenance fee in an expired patent.
- § 1.741(b) - to accord a filing date to an application under § 1.740 for extension of a patent term.

**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(g): Fee \$200 Fee Code 1463**

For petitions filed under:

- § 1.12 - for access to an assignment record.
- § 1.14 - for access to an application.
- § 1.47 - for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor.
- § 1.59 - for expungement of information.
- § 1.103(a) - to suspend action in an application.
- § 1.136(b) - for review of a request for extension of time when the provisions of section 1.136(a) are not available.
- § 1.295 - for review of refusal to publish a statutory invention registration.
- § 1.296 - to withdraw a request for publication of a statutory invention registration filed on or after the date the notice of intent to publish issued.
- § 1.377 - for review of decision refusing to accept and record payment of a maintenance fee filed prior to expiration of a patent.
- § 1.550(c) - for patent owner requests for extension of time in *ex parte* reexamination proceedings.
- § 1.956 - for patent owner requests for extension of time in *inter partes* reexamination proceedings.
- § 5.12 - for expedited handling of a foreign filing license.
- § 5.15 - for changing the scope of a license.
- § 5.25 - for retroactive license.

**Petition Fees under 37 CFR 1.17(h): Fee \$130 Fee Code 1464**

For petitions filed under:

- § 1.19(g) - to request documents in a form other than that provided in this part.
- § 1.84 - for accepting color drawings or photographs.
- § 1.91 - for entry of a model or exhibit.
- § 1.102(d) - to make an application special.
- § 1.138(c) - to expressly abandon an application to avoid publication.
- § 1.313 - to withdraw an application from issue.
- § 1.314 - to defer issuance of a patent.

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